TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1101 – HB 1120

March 17, 2015

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Gives assistant public defenders (APD) service credit for the period of July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004.

Creates six new APDs to be recommended for designation by the District Public Defenders Conference (DPDC).

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – \$664,100/FY15-16 \$792,300/FY16-17 and Subsequent Years

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (003937): Deletes provision creating six new APD positions.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Expenditures – \$212,300

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Under Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-14-207(a), APDs are compensated according to a pay scheduled which is based on credible service. However, credible service was not recognized for FY03-04 and FY09-10.
- The bill would reinstate the credible service for FY03-04.
- The bill will apply to 68 APDs and will increase their base salary by a combined \$153,460. Some APDs will hit their maximum salary base and will begin collecting longevity because of the bill. This longevity equals \$9,200. Benefits must be paid on the increased salary base and on the longevity.
- The bill will increase state expenditures by \$212,304 {[\$153,460 + (\$153,460 x 0.2287) benefits + (\$153,460 x .0.0765) FICA] + [\$9,200 + (\$9,200 x 0.2287) benefits + (\$9,200 x 0.0765) FICA]}.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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